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Regulation of the Abreu Advogados Award

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ARTICLE 1 | Goal

The Abreu Advogados Award (Prize) seeks to stimulate innovative research, relevant to the practice of a leading law firm.

ARTICLE 2 | Awarding of the Prize

1.The Prize is established by the Knowledge Institute of Abreu Advogados and awarded through a biennial competition.

2.The Prize consists in the offer of 7,500 € (seven thousand and five hundred Euros).

3.Exceptionally, the Prize may be awarded ex aequo to more than one author, the amount being equally distributed.

4.The winning paper will be proposed by the Knowledge Institute for publication in paper and digital format.

5.The jury may decide not to award the Prize if it considers that the quality of the works in competition does not justify the award.

ARTICLE 3 | Jury

1.The Jury of the Award will be composed of personalities from the scientific and legal fields and of colleagues from Abreu Advogados.

2.The Jury is established by the resolution of the competent bodies of the Knowledge Institute of Abreu Advogados for each edition of the Award.

3.There is no right of appeal against the decisions of the Jury.

4.The selection of the best research papers will be guided by the following criteria of preference

- 4.1. Rigour and depth;
- 4.2. Innovative character
- 4.3. Ability to contribute to the resolution of real problems;
- 4.4. Clarity and legibility.

- 1. Innovative law research writings shall be admitted to the competition.
- 2. Legal research in new areas will be particularly considered, namely the following:
- 2.1. Financial innovation and financial technology: FinTech, innovation in payments, collaborative finance and new products;
- 2.2. Blockchain, smart contracts, crypto-actives, tokenization, NFTs, DAOs, metaverse and Web3;
- 2.3. E-procurement, e-democracy, digitalization of public services, automated acts, AI in public administration;
- 2.4. ESG, circular economy, climate change, energy transition, sustainable finance, voluntary carbon credit markets;
- 2.5. Digital economy, e-commerce, digital services, digital platforms, content moderation and intellectual property in cyberspace;
- 2.6. Artificial intelligence, automation, robotics, autonomous vehicles and drones: ethics and regulation;
- 2.7. Cybercrime and cybersecurity;
- 2.8. Privacy, data protection, data governance, data commercialization and transfer;
- 2.9. Digital markets, algorithms and competition;
- 2.10. Artificial reproduction, surrogate motherhood, genetic manipulation;
- 2.11. Aging population, migration and sustainability;
- 2.12. Digital technologies, disability, health, e-sports;
- 2.13. Equality and gender identity;
- 2.14. Aerospace Law;
- 2.15. Legal Tech and Technological Means of Conflict Resolution.
- 3.Research papers, whether or not submitted to academic tests, in Portuguese or English, may be admitted to the competition provided they have not been published.
- 4.In the case of works submitted to academic

ARTICLE 4 | Conditions for admission to competition

examinations, works approved between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2025 may be admitted.

5.The Prize is open to law graduates, regardless of their academic qualifications.

6.The competitors must be nationals of a Portuguese-speaking country or be connected to a Portuguese university or research center.
7.The papers must have a minimum of 200 and a maximum of 750 pages (body: font "Times New

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ARTICLE 5 | Applications

1.Only one entry per candidate may be entered. 2.A candidate may enter more than one competition, even if they have won a prize before, but no work will be admitted to the competition more than once.

3.Entries must be submitted for competition by 1 September 2025. The Jury will select the works that meet the conditions for admission from among those submitted to the competition.

- 4.The following are causes for the exclusion of an application:
- 4.1. Submission after the deadline;
- 4.2. Failure to comply with the admission conditions established in these Regulations;
- 4.3. Plagiarism and the undeclared use of Al systems;
- 5.Candidates should send their application to the email address institutodeconhecimento@ abreuadvogados.com, and attaching:
- 5.1. The work in Word format and in pdf format;

- 5.2. A summary in Portuguese and in English, with a maximum of 20 pages (body: font "Times New Roman", size 12, line spacing 1.5; footnotes: same font, with font size 10 and single line spacing) and a list of the main bibliographical references (up to a maximum of 40 entries);
- 5.3. The Curriculum Vitae;
- 5.4. A statement, signed on honour, that the work is the result of the applicant's own original research, without any unidentified use of other people's work or AI generated text;
- 6.The application will be accompanied by the submission of two printed copies of the work, by mail, in a sealed envelope, to the Abreu Advogados Knowledge Institute, Av. Infante D. Henrique, 26 1149-096 Lisbon.

ARTICLE 6 | Interpretation of the Regulation

- 1. In case of doubt, the interpretation of these Regulations shall be the responsibility of the Management of the Knowledge Institute of Abreu Advogados.
- 2. Any questions on the rules and procedures of the competition should be requested to the Knowledge Institute, through the e-mail address: institutodeconhecimento@abreuadvogados.com.





